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Mr. Richard J. Walsh
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Dear Mr. Walsh:

This letter is in regard to your February 11, 2016 petition to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for reconsideration of 40 CFR 80.1406, defining "obligated party," and your June 13, 2016 petition to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for rulemaking on the Renewable Fuel Standard definition of "obligated party."

This letter is to notify you of the EPA's proposed denial of your petitions as well as those of others seeking similar EPA action, as described in the enclosed "Proposed Denials of Petitions to Change the Point of Obligation." This document is also available at: <https://www.epa.gov/renewable-fuel-standard-program/2016-announcements-renewable-fuel-standard-program>. The EPA has designated a 60-day public comment period for this proposal that will follow publication of a notice in the Federal Register.

Should you have any questions, please contact Paul Argyropoulos, in the Office of Transportation and Air Quality, at (202) 564-1123 or argyropoulos.paul@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J.G. McCabe".

Janet G. McCabe
Acting Assistant Administrator

Enclosure